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Cooperation in Space
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Pakistan have any cooperation in the field of space;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the number of companies in the world with whom India has cooperative agreements?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)&(b) There is no bilateral space cooperation between India and Pakistan in the field of space. However, both countries are currently discussing on possible cooperation in the field of space under multilateral platform for realisation of 'Satellite for SAARC (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation) region'. As part of 'International Charter Space and Major Disasters', India provides satellite data to many countries including Pakistan for disaster management support. Also, two officials from Pakistan have undergone courses on Remote Sensing & Geographical Information System conducted by United Nations affiliated Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in Asia and the Pacific (CSSTEAP) hosted by India at Dehradun.

(c) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) does not have cooperative agreement with any company in the world. However, space cooperation agreements are signed with space agencies of 35 countries for pursuing cooperation on peaceful uses of outer space.

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